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Dear Examiner:

The following communication is in response the Final Office Action mailed December 31, 2007 in the above-referenced application. The present Amendment and Response to Final Office Action of December 31, 2007 is filed with a Request for Continued Examination as provided under 37 CFR §1.114, together with the appropriate fee. The Applicants believe that the instant communication is timely filed and that no additional fees are due with its transmission. If additional fees are due, the Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner of the Patent and Trademark Office to charge any required fees to Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-4302, referencing Attorney Docket No.: UM-08388.

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